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## ULTIMATE X-MEN #50

**Written by BRIAN K. VAUGHAN**
**Penciled by ANDY KUBERT**
**Cover by ANDY KUBERT**

"CRY WOLF" PART 1 (OF 4)

It is the moment you've all been waiting for!! Gambit returns to ULTIMATE X-MEN!!! Because the fans demanded it, the Cajun thief is back! But what is he going to steal? And can the X-Men stop him?

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**Written by WARREN ELLIS**
**Penciled by TREVOR HAIRSINE**
**Cover by TREVOR HAIRSINE**

PART 1 (OF 5)

Superstar Warren Ellis teams with hot newcomer Trevor Hairsine (Ultimate Six) to tell a story of international intrigue that shakes every Ultimate book to its core! As world communications systems break down, the source of the anomaly is revealed as Tanguska, Russia. Nick Fury of S.H.I.E.L.D. leads a force comprised of Captain America, Black Widow and Sam Wilson to investigate, while, simultaneously, Charles Xavier of the X-Men dispatches his own team consisting of Jean Grey, Wolverine & Colossus. And what they discover there – and what happens next – defies belief!

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**Written by MIKE CAREY**
**Penciled by SALVADOR LARROCA**
**Cover by SALVADOR LARROCA**

DEVIL'S DUE PART 1 (OF 5)

Welcome award-winning writer Mike Carey to the Ultimate Universe, and welcome back original Ultimate Daredevil & Elektra artist, Salvador Larroca – the team supreme to bring you this blockbuster follow-up to the smash first series! Matt Murdock – desperate to see Elektra Natchios again – makes an attempt to contact this mysterious young women, putting himself squarely in the crosshairs of the biggest crime boss in New York City! Wait until YOU see what happens next . . .

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## ULTIMATE SPIDER-MAN #63 & #64

**Written by**
**BRIAN MICHAEL BENDIS**
**Pencils & Cover by MARK BAGLEY**

"CARNAGE" PARTS 4 & 5 (OF 6)

The origin of Ultimate Carnage and the horror that one Dr. Curtis Connors has wrought. And Spider-Man may be helpless to stop it! And don't miss the big showdown between Spider-Man & Carnage! And the outcome is NOT what you expect. And what is that Ben Reilly up to!?

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**Written by BRIAN MICHAEL BENDIS**
**Pencils & Cover by MARK BAGLEY**

ARACHNOMAN PART 1 (OF 1)

As fever creeps across a worldwide audience in anticipation of the Spider-Man 2 Movie this June, fans caught a glimpse of their favorite wall-crawler's reaction to the making of a film based on Spider-Man's life in the Ultimate Universe this spring! Featuring guest-stars like Avi Arad and Tobey Maguire in the comic book, "Spider-Man: Hollywood" was a first-class affair, and is now collected as Ultimate Spider-Man Volume 10. Little-known to fans, there was a second, more insidious film, ARACHNOMAN, that was planned, but never completed! Arachnoman, the unlicensed, unofficial Spider-Man movie was a much different affair, and was never released to the public. Now, for the ONLY time, get a copy of this unseen take on Arachnoman! Re-scripted over the same great Mark Bagley artwork, Arachnoman was printed as a limited edition and will be available in limited quantities! Get your Bendis! Get your Bagley!

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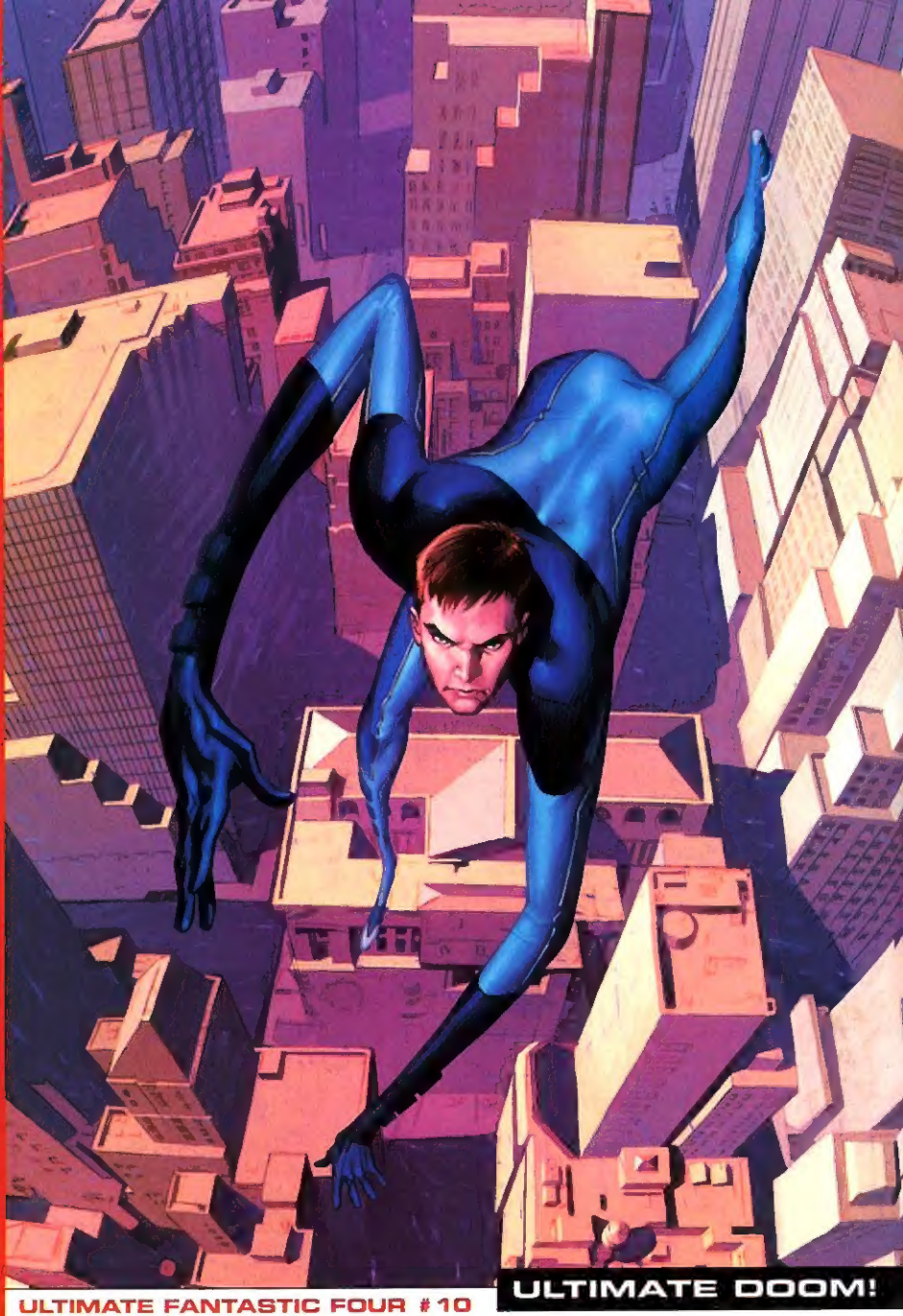


**ULTIMATE FANTASTIC FOUR #10**

**Written by WARREN ELLIS**

**Pencils & Cover by STUART IMMONEN**

"DOOM" PART 4 (OF 6)

The insane Victor Van Damme has struck at the Baxter Building from thousands of miles away – but the U.S. Army is preventing the Fantastic Four from responding.

And no one tells Reed Richards that there's something he's not allowed to do.

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**AVENGERS #501**
**Written by BRIAN MICHAEL BENDIS**
**Pencils & Cover by DAVID FINCH**
**"AVENGERS DISASSEMBLED" PART 2 (OF 4)**
GUEST-STARRING EVERY AVENGER...EVER!! The worst day in Avengers history continues, as the team tries to deal with the shocking tragedy around them. Who is behind this, and why? Will it tear the team apart? This is the comic event of the year–do not miss out!
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**AVENGERS #500 DIRECTOR'S CUT**
**Written by BRIAN MICHAEL BENDIS**
**Penciled by DAVID FINCH**
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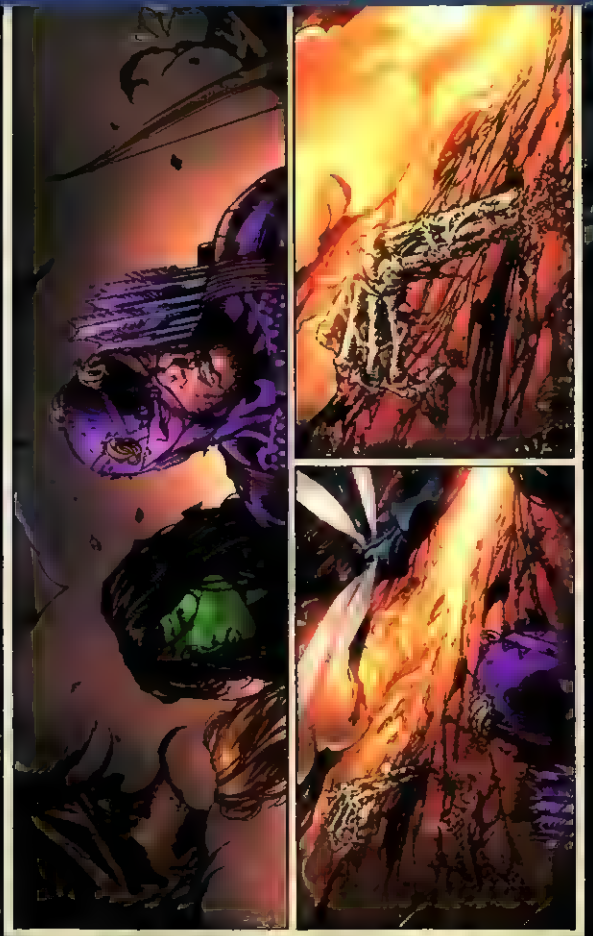

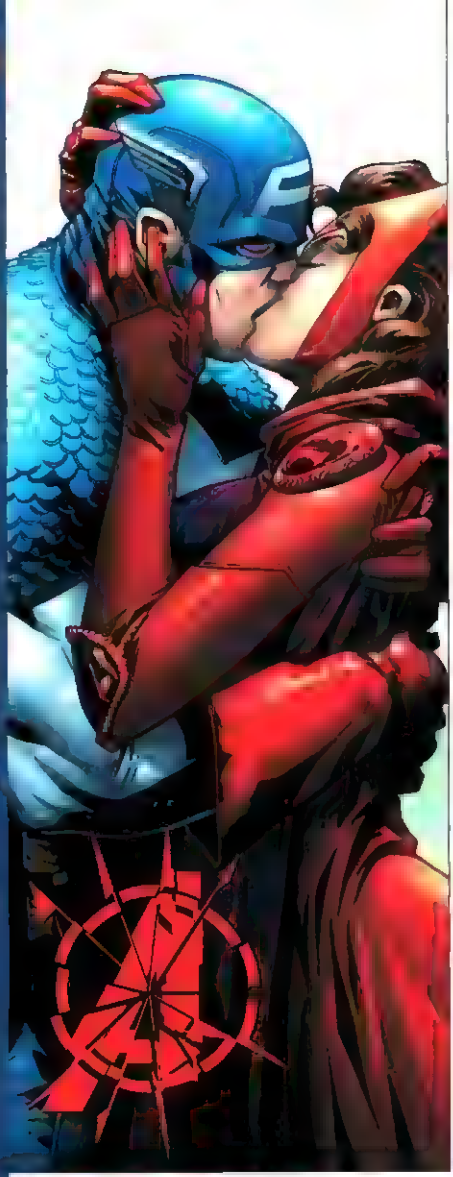

## CAPTAIN AMERICA & THE FALCON #6

**Written by PRIEST**
**Pencils & Cover by JOE BENNETT**
**"AVENGERS DISASSEMBLED" PART 2 (OF 4)**

Finding himself a fugitive from justice, The Falcon must battle his way past elite naval operatives while Cap must choose between his partner and his principles while suffering an enigmatic battle fatigue that replays Cap's worst failure and presents the Scarlet Witch as his only refuge. Meanwhile, Dr. Hank (Yellowjacket) Pym has broken the code of the mysterious virus Cap and Falc recovered from Cuba, revealing a new threat that is exponentially worse than anything they've faced before!

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## CAPTAIN AMERICA #30

**Written by ROBERT KIRKMAN**
**Penciled by SCOT EATON**
**Cover by DAVE JOHNSON**
**"AVENGERS DISASSEMBLED" PART 2 (OF 4)**

Cap and Diamondback are reunited after all these years, but their reunion is Bittersweet, as Cap is consumed with remorse over the cataclysmic events taking place in AVENGERS. With that on his mind, Cap isn't exactly the best company to have on a dinner date. Meanwhile, just what exactly is going on over at S.H.I.E.L.D and how is it that Nick Fury is completely unaware? Featuring an appearance by everyone's favorite Frenchman, Batroc the Leaper

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## FANTASTIC FOUR #517

**Written by MARK WAID**

**Pencils & Cover by MIKE WIERINGO**

**AVENGERS DISASSEMBLED TIE-IN!**

"FOURTITUDE" PART 1 (OF 3)

The FF goes "widescreen" in a tale of epic scope and proportion as Manhattan is cut off from the rest of the world by a fleet of miles-high alien spacecraft–and that's just the beginning! With the Avengers in disarray, New York reluctantly turns to the disenfranchised Fantastic Four, the only heroes in town, to save them–but where to even start?

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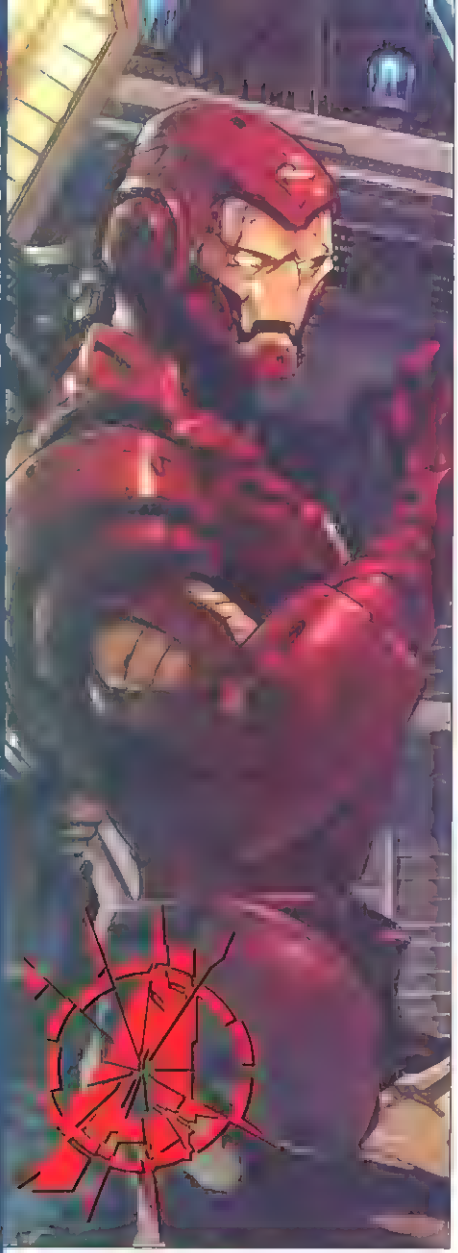

## IRON MAN #87

**Written by MARK RICKETTS**
**Penciled by TONY HARRIS**
**Cover by PAT LEE**

AVENGERS DISASSEMBLED TIE-IN!

THE SINGULARITY PART 2 (OF 4)

Some think Tony Stark has lost his battle with the bottle. Others think he can't control his violent temper. Some think he's a homicidal maniac. Even his closest friends are beginning to doubt him, wondering why he won't fend off these accusations. Spoiler: A beloved character faces a tragic end in this don't-miss issue.

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## THOR #83

**Written by MICHAEL OEMING**
**Penciled by ANDREA DI VITO**
**Cover by STEVE EPTING**

AVENGERS DISASSEMBLED TIE-IN!

RAGNAROK PART 3 (OF 6)

Beset on all sides by treacherous foes from his past, the God of Thunder leads the tattered remnants of the forces of Asgard on a desperate quest, as the Realm Eternal burns...

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Cover to Spectacular Spider-Man #17

## SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN # 18

**Written by PAUL JENKINS**

**Pencils & Cover by HUMBERTO RAMOS**

AVENGERS DISASSEMBLE TIE-IN!

His humanity slipping away from him, a danger to his friends and loved ones, Spidey grapples with the amazing transformation that's taken hold of him–while, in the depths of the world, the Queen awaits .

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## INVADERS #1

**Written by ALLAN JACOBSEN**
**Penciled by C. P. SMITH**
**Cover by SCOTT KOLINS**

TO END ALL WARS PART 1 (OF 3)

Soldiers, Super Heroes, Sentinels of Liberty since the Second World War—they're the INVADERS, and they're back in this all-new ongoing monthly from writer Allan Jacobsen and artist C.P. Smith. Jim Hammond, the original Human Torch, returns to lead the INVADERS on a covert mission to stop a mysterious terrorist cell from resurrecting the monstrous evil slumbering in the depths of the Arabian Sea

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**SECRET WAR #3 (of 5)**
**Written by BRIAN MICHAEL BENDIS**
**Painted Art by GABRIELE DELL'OTTO**
The mystery of the Secret War is casting a shadow across the entire Marvel Universe as every hero with a public identity is attacked by groups of high-tech villains. What is Nick Fury's secret, and will the heroes find out in time?
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## THOR: SON OF ASGARD #7

**Written by AKIRA YOSHIDA**
**Penciled by GREG TOCCHINI**
**Cover by JO CHEN**

"ENCHANTED" PART 1 (OF 3)

Due to popular demand, the early Tales of Asgard continue! After their adventures across the wilds of Asgard, it's back to school for Thor, Balder and Sif... but when you're in training to be a warrior, study hall isn't so quiet! The lives of the three young friends takes an interesting turn when Amora the Enchantress enters the picture. Sparks will fly when their schooling in swords and sorcery comes head-to-head in this all-new three-issue arc.

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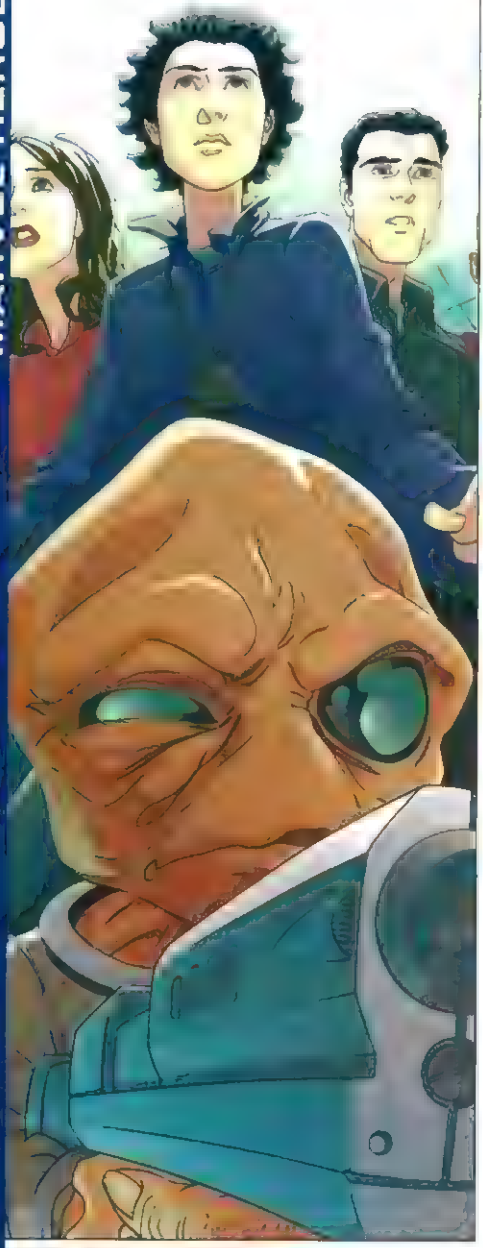

## GUARDIANS #3

**Written by MARC SUMERAK**
**Pencils & Cover by CASEY JONES**

Just when they thought their lives were finally getting easier, the Guardians must reunite to face an otherworldly threat from their past... and to embark on the journey of a lifetime!

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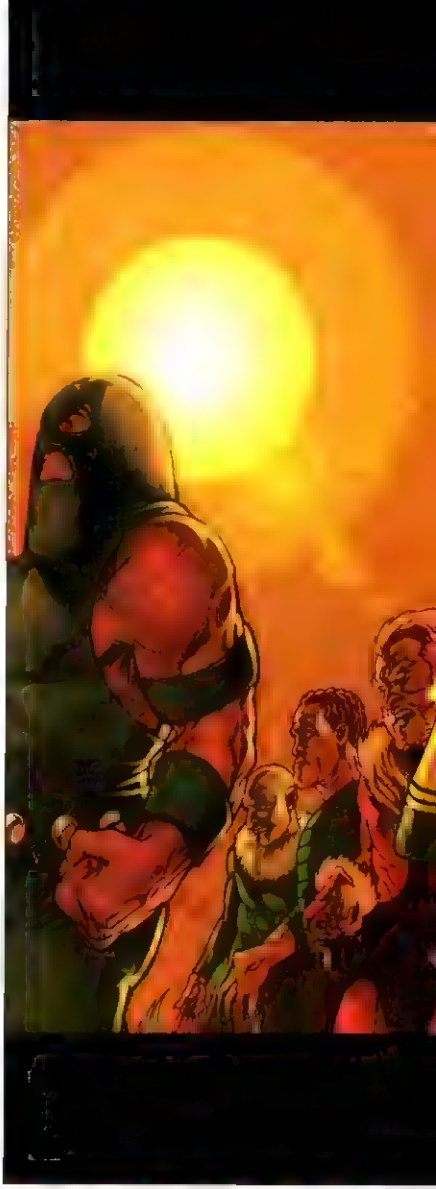

## IDENTITY DISC #3 (of 5)

**Written by ROBERT RODI**
**Penciled by JOHN HIGGINS**
**Cover by TONY HARRIS**

PART 3 (OF 5)

Six of Marvel's deadliest villains have been blackmailed into pulling a job. On an apparent suicide mission, the team must break into a heavily guarded, nearly impenetrable A.I.M. terrorist base and retrieve a small disc that can literally shift the balance of power in the world. On the disc? The civilian identities of every costumed hero on Earth. But how will the team's world-class size, brawn and savagery fare against the enemy's sheer numbers?

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## ALPHA FLIGHT #6

**Written by SCOTT LOBDELL**
**Pencils & Cover by CLAYTON HENRY**

"YOU GOTTA BE KIDDIN' ME!" PT. 6 (OF 6)

The action-packed finale you demanded! It's the All-New, All-Different Alpha Flight vs. the alien Plodex with the original team's life hanging in the balance!

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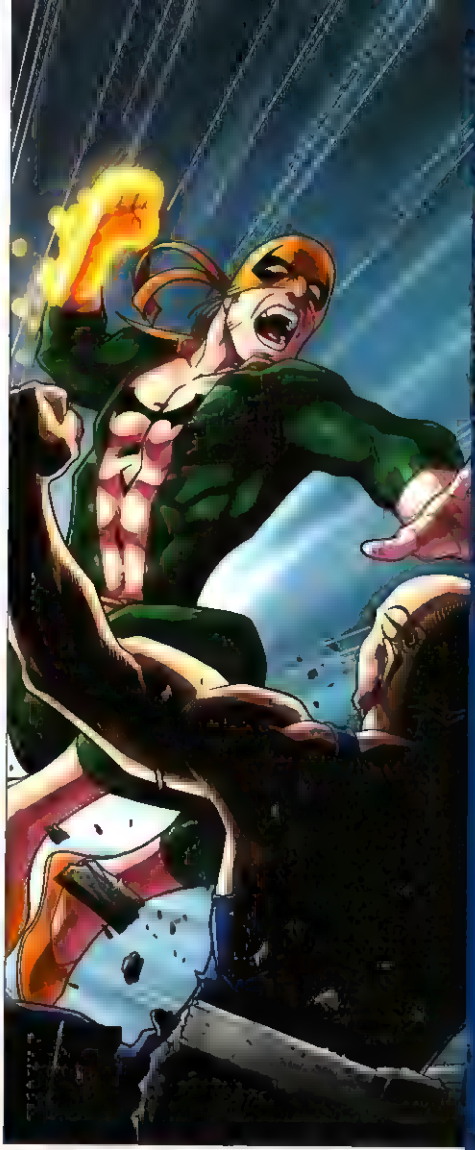

## IRON FIST #6

**Written by JIM MULLANEY**
**Penciled by KEVIN LAU**
**Cover by RICK MAYS**

"BREATHLESS" PART 6 (OF 6)

The walls between dimensions tremble, ready to fall, while the ancient cult of Chi prepares to exact vengeance on an unsuspecting K'un Lun. Betrayed and alone, Daniel Rand must summon the will to save both the Eternal City and the young girl he has sworn to protect. But the final battle will not be in the bloodstained snow on a Himalayan mountaintop – it will be fought within the dragon heart of Iron Fist himself.

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## SILVER SURFER #12

**Written by STACY WEISS**
**Penciled by LAN MEDINA**
**Cover by MIZUKI SAKAKIBARA**

"REVELATION" PART 6

The Silver Surfer's children sabotage his mission, with catastrophic consequences for the Earth.

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## SHE-HULK #6

**Written by DAN SLOTT**
**Penciled by PAUL PELLETIER**
**Cover by MIKE MAYHEW**

"THE BIG PICTURE" PART 2 (OF 2)

SHE-HULK must protect her law firm from an all-out assault by THE MAD THINKER and an ARMY OF SUPER-VILLAINS! Will AWESOME ANDY side with his old master? And what about the all-new super-villain, SOUTHPAW? Now that her shocking secret is out in the open, what will become of her? Special appearances by dozens of Marvel's best bad-guys, including: Electro, Sandman, Tiger Shark, Vermin, the Absorbing Man and many more...!

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**MAN-THING #2 (of 3)**
**Written by HANS RODIONOFF**
**Pencils & Cover by KYLE HOTZ**
PART 2 (OF 3)
Sinister events continue to mount in the creepy town of Bywater, Louisiana, where an outsider has arrived to uncover the horrifying truth of what lurks in the swamp. Featuring all-new, original content and set in the world of the film.
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**POWERLESS #3 (of 6)**
**Written by MATT CHERNIS**
**Pencilled by MICHAEL GAYDOS & PETER JOHNSON**
**Cover by TONY HARRIS**
PART 3 (OF 6)
Logan. Peter Parker. Matt Murdock. What if these icons were left powerless? Would their destinies change? Find out in this mind-blowing take from writers Matt Chernis and Peter Johnson and Alias artist Michael Gaydos. In this issue, Matt Murdock's life is about to take a turn for the worse, courtesy of the Kingpin.
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**X-MEN: THE END BOOK ONE:**
**DREAMERS & DEMONS – #1 & #2 (of 6)**
**Written by CHRIS CLAREMONT**
**Penciled by SEAN CHEN**
**Cover by GREG LAND**
DREAMERS AND DEMONS PARTS 1 & 2 (OF 6)
It's the epic finale to the story of the Children of the Atom as renowned X-Men scribe Chris Claremont joins with star artist Sean Chen for a trilogy in the style of the Lord of the Rings movies, one that spans the length and breadth of the X-Men canon and brings the saga of Marvel's mutants to a climax!
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## X-FORCE #1

**Artwork & Cover by ROB LIEFELD**
**Written by FABIAN NICIEZA**

IT'S X-MEN: RELOAD WAVE 2!

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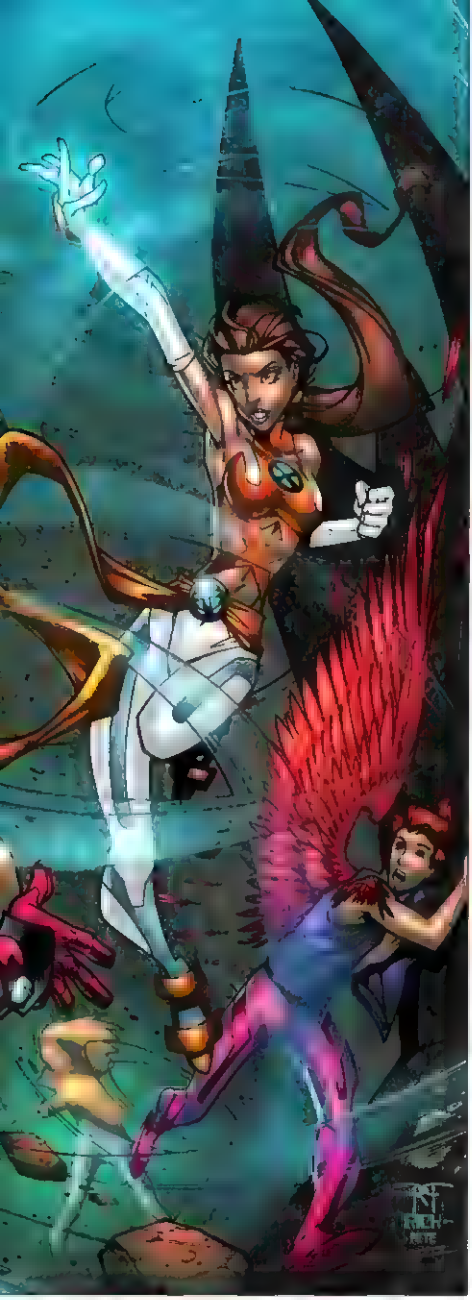

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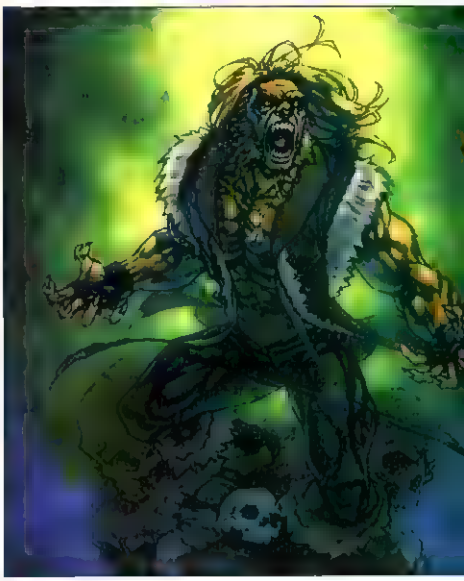

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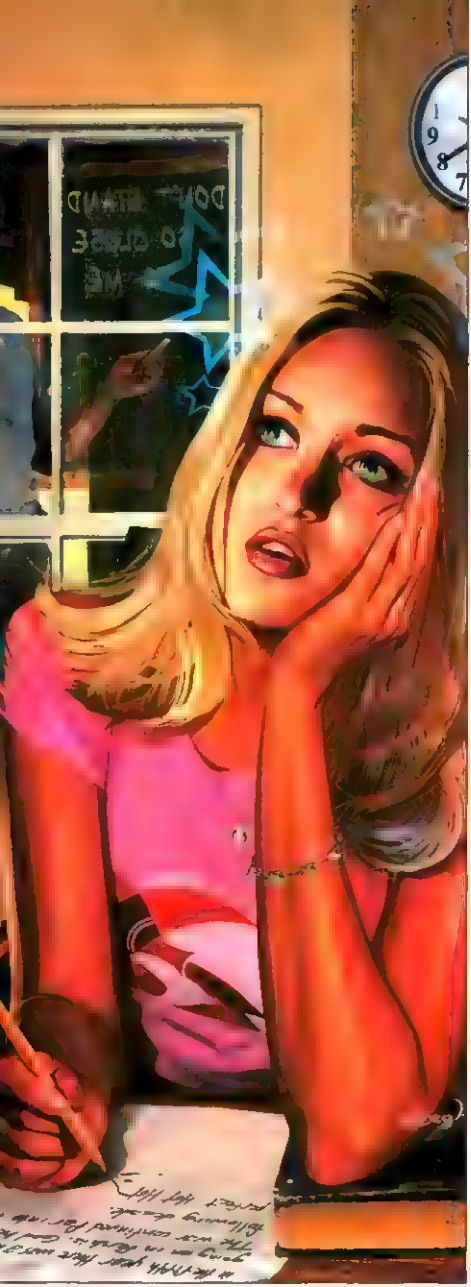

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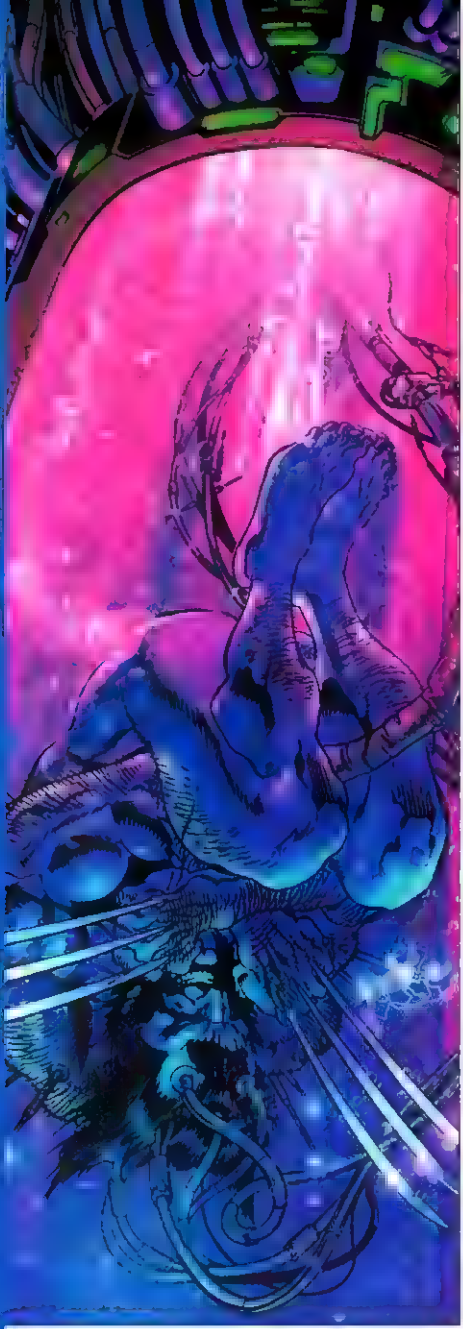

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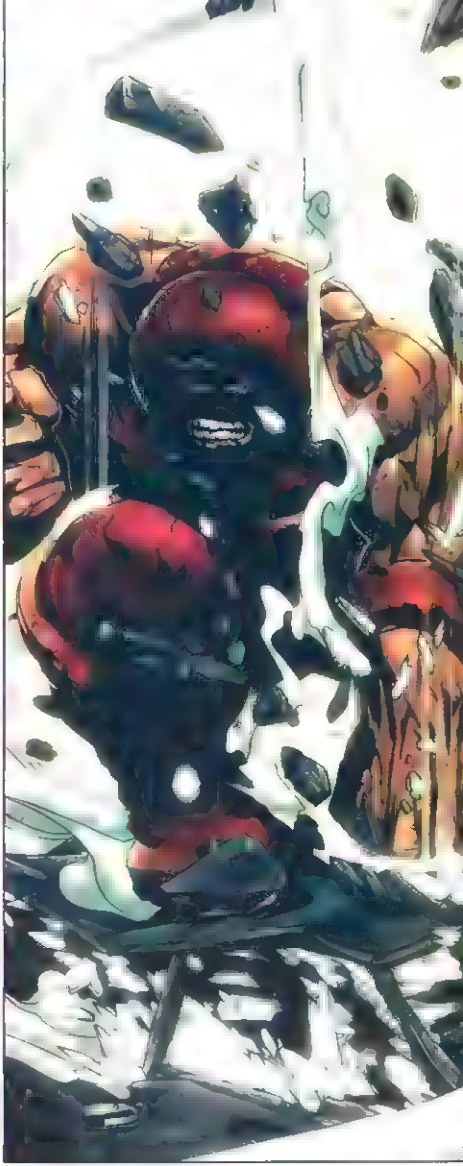

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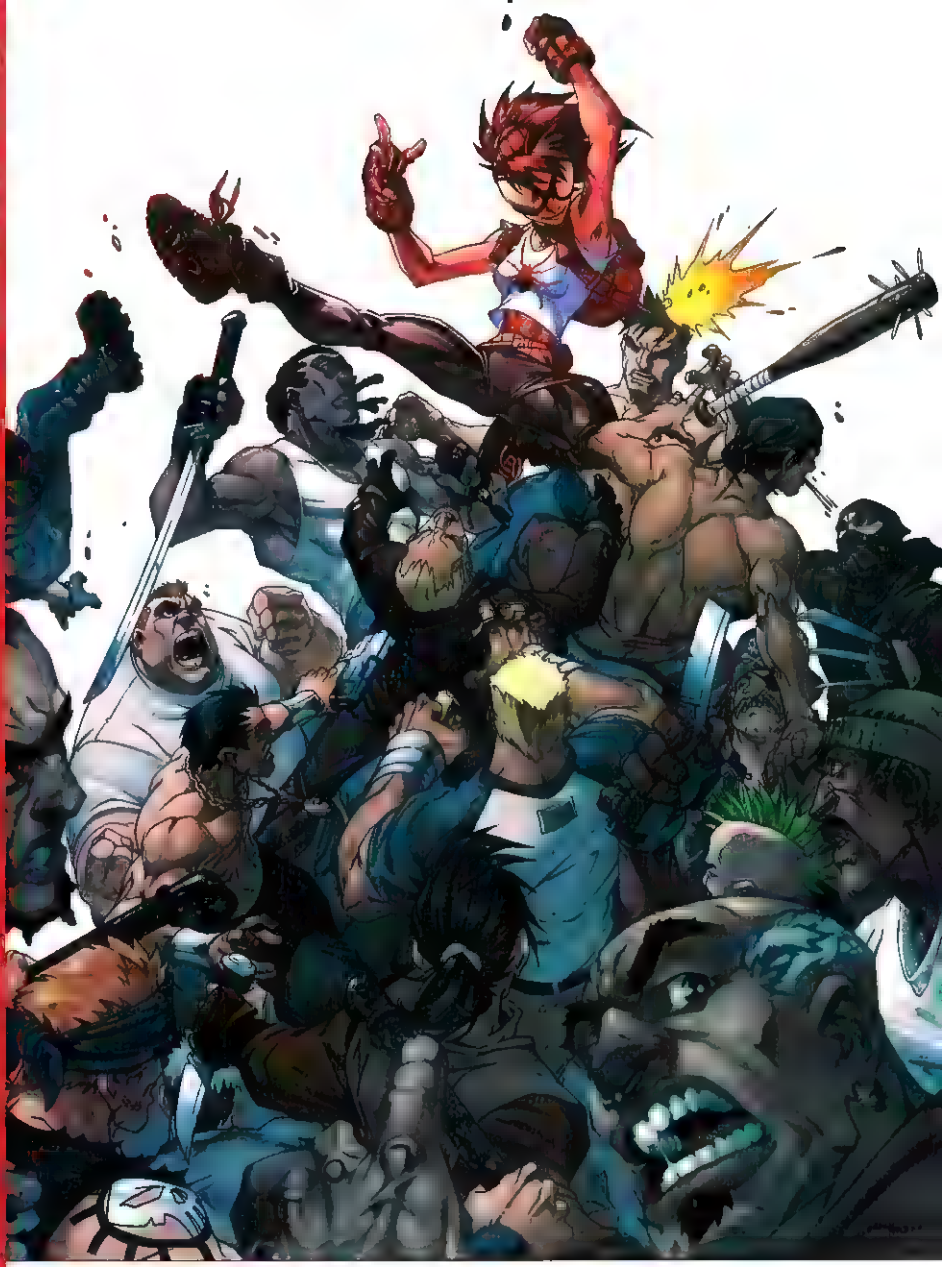

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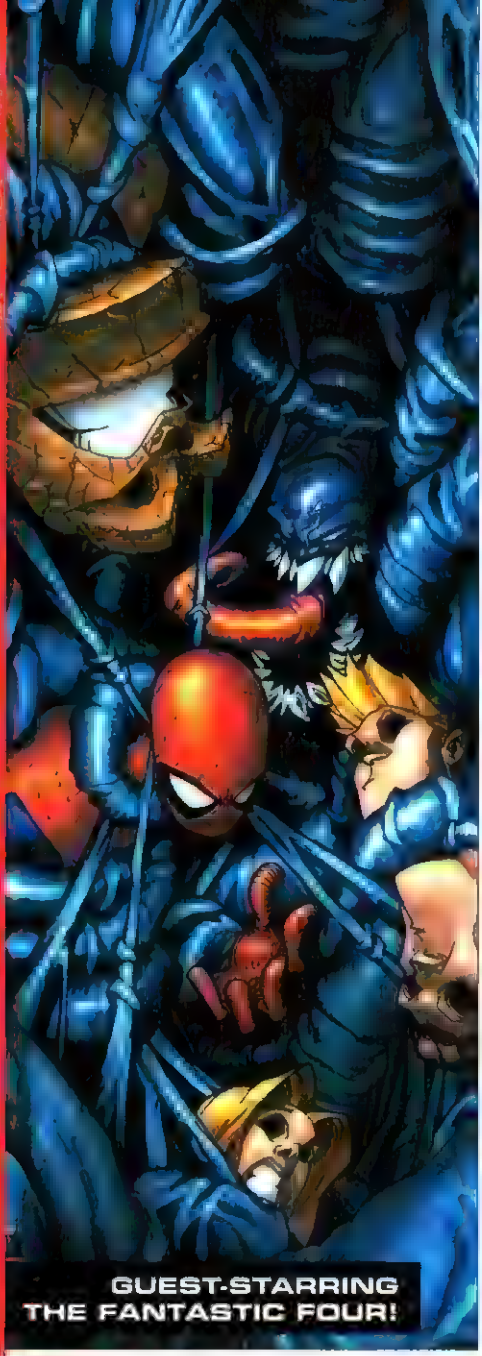


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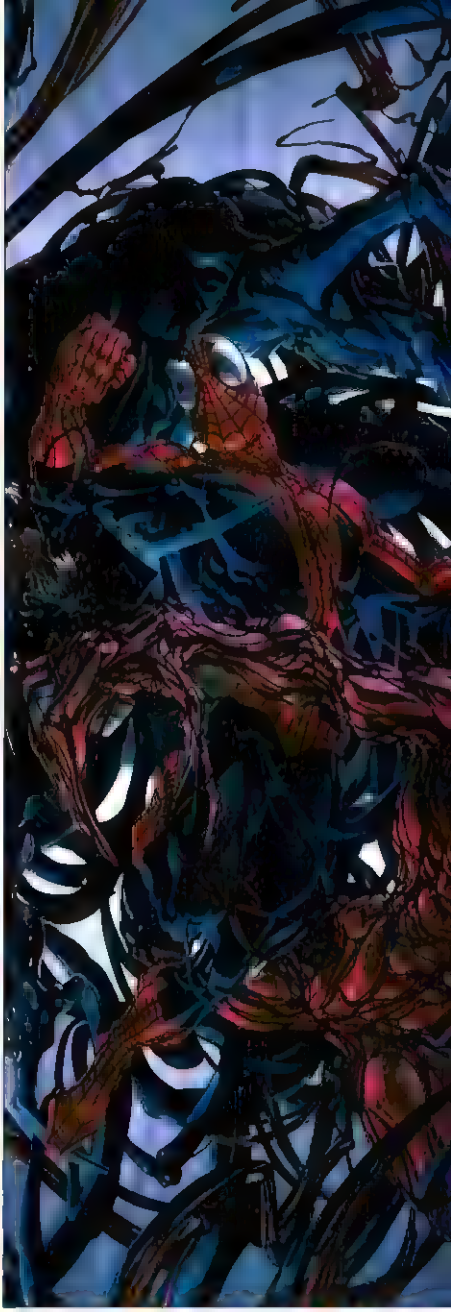

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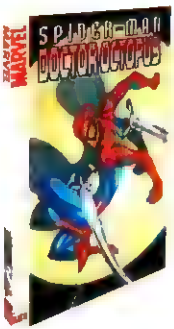

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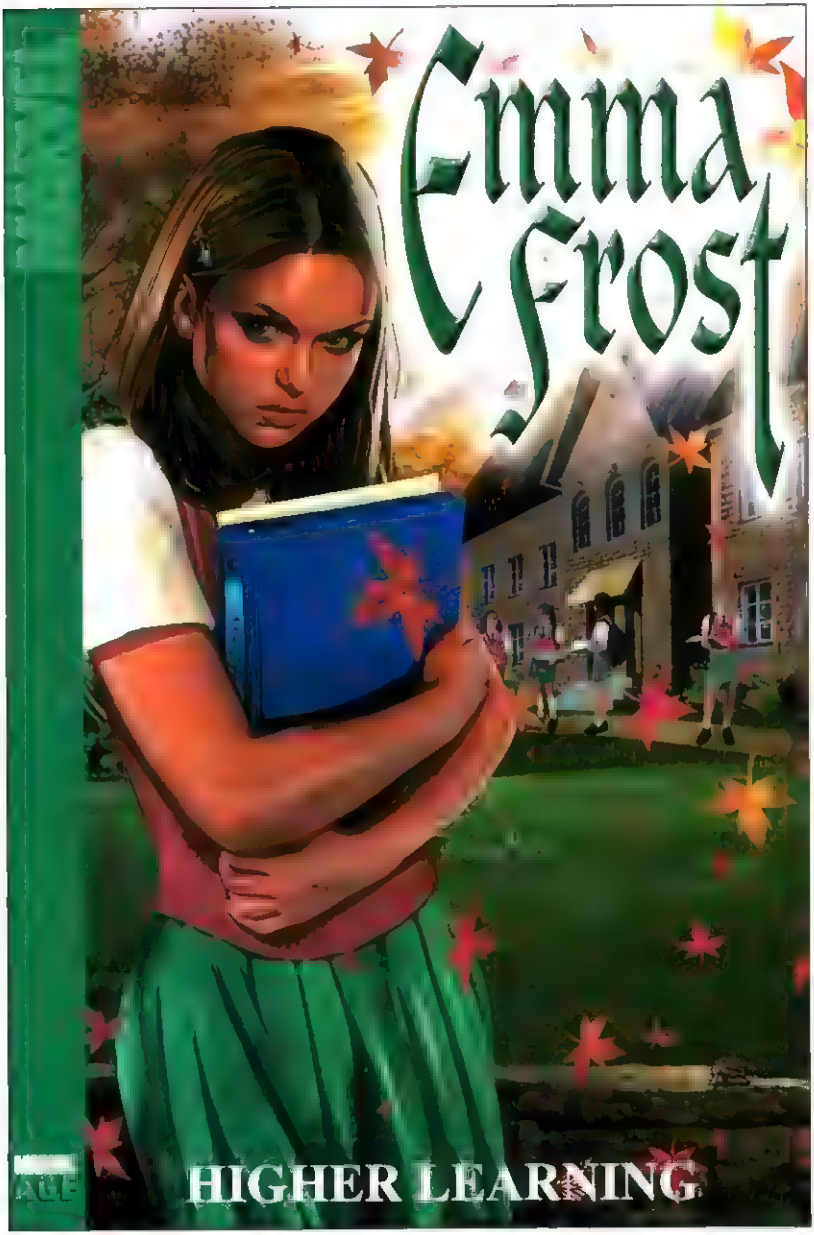


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Publicly known. It is not publicly known that Joe Fixit was
Occupation: Currently unemployed, former nuclear physicist and enforcer
Citizenship: United States of America, with criminal record pardoned
Place of Birth: Dayton, Ohio
Marital Status: Married
Known Relatives: Elizabeth "Betty" Ross Talbot Banner (wife), Brian Banner (father, deceased), Rebecca Banner (mother, deceased), Morris Walters (uncle), Elaine Banner Walters (aunt, deceased), Jennifer Walters (She-Hulk, cousin), Thaddeus E. "Thunderbolt" Ross (father-in-law), Mrs. Drake (aunt, possibly deceased), Cassandra Walters Pike (aunt), David Pike (cousin)
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Education: PhD in nuclear physics
History: Robert Bruce Banner was the son of Dr. Brian Banner, an atomic physicist, and his wife, Rebecca. Although Rebecca deeply loved Bruce, who returned her affection, Brian hated the child. An alcoholic, Brian Banner had himself been abused by his alcoholic father. He was driven by an insane jealousy of Bruce for being an object of Rebecca's love. In addition, Brian had become convinced that his work in radiation had altered his own genes, resulting in what he saw as a mutant offspring. Brian Banner finally murdered Rebecca, and Bruce, who had witnessed his mother's murder, was intimidated by Brian into keeping silent during the ensuing trial; Brian was nonetheless placed in a mental hospital. Bruce, who was already a quiet intellectual youth, became even more withdrawn. He was raised by his aunt, Mrs. Drake, and internalized his great pain and rage over his childhood sufferings. Among his few childhood joys were his summers spent with his younger cousin, Jen Walters.
After graduating from Science High School, Bruce studied nuclear physics in Navajo, New Mexico, at Desert State University as the star student of Professor Herbert Josiah Weller. He also studied for a time at Pennsylvania State University, where he met Walter Langkowski (later Sasquatch). He obtained his doctorate in nuclear physics at the California Institute of Technology, alongside Phillip
During the course of his college studies he began dating classmate Susan Jacobson, who tried to bring the withdrawn Bruce out of his shell. When he finally did respond to her, however, his emotions exploded forth, and he grabbed and terrified the girl, who broke up with him. After other similar relationships, he finally found happiness at C.I.T. with medical student Angela Lipscombe. However, when Angela won a research grant and Bruce's proposals were turned down by multiple organizations, he became jealous and left her.
Unable to get work from anyone else, Bruce went to work for the United States Defense Department nuclear research facility at Desert Base, New Mexico. There Banner met General "Thunderbolt" Ross, the Air Force officer in command of the base, and his daughter, Betty Banner and Betty Ross eventually fell in love with each other. Banner designed and oversaw construction of the "gamma bomb" or "G-bomb," a nuclear weapon that had a high gamma radiation output.
When Brian Banner was released from the mental hospital after fifteen years, he confronted the now adult Bruce, tormenting him with the knowledge of his actions. Enraged, Bruce lashed out, striking his father, who fell backwards, struck a tombstone, and was killed. Bruce repressed the memory of his father's death, and his own involvement in it, for

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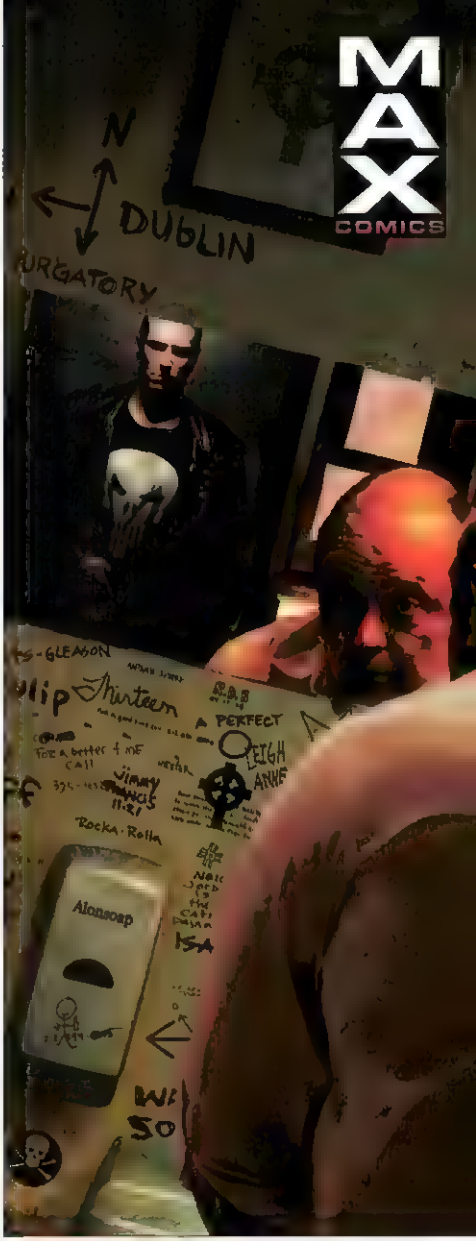


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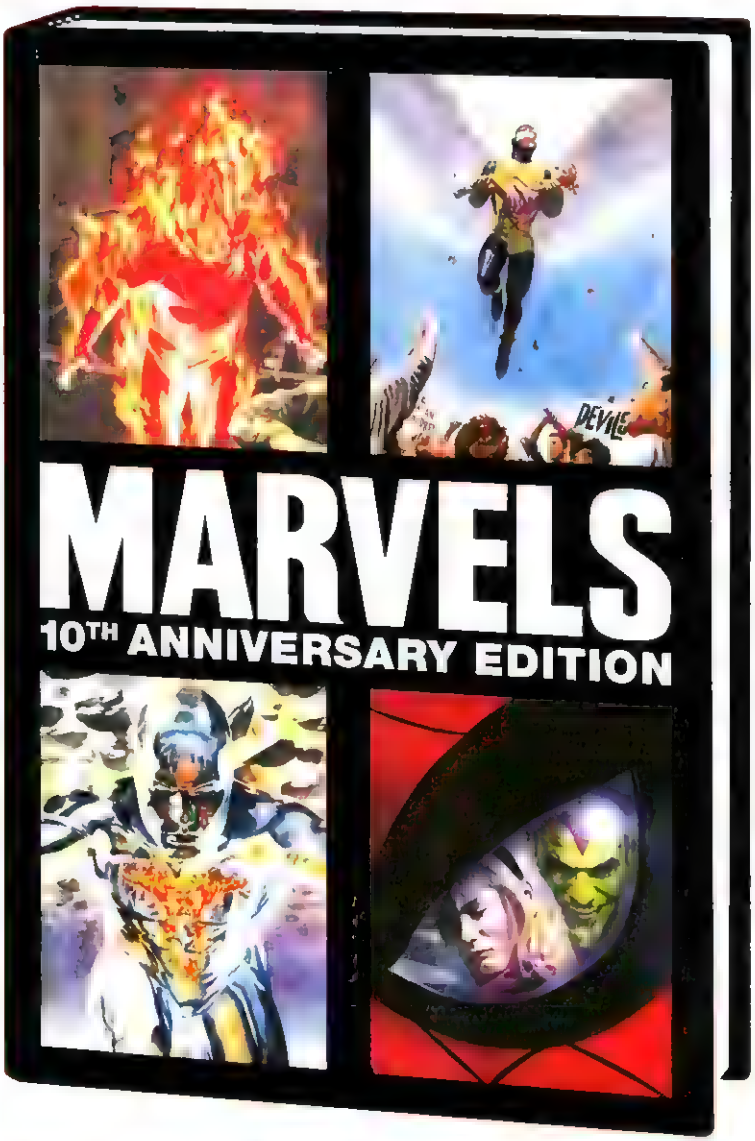


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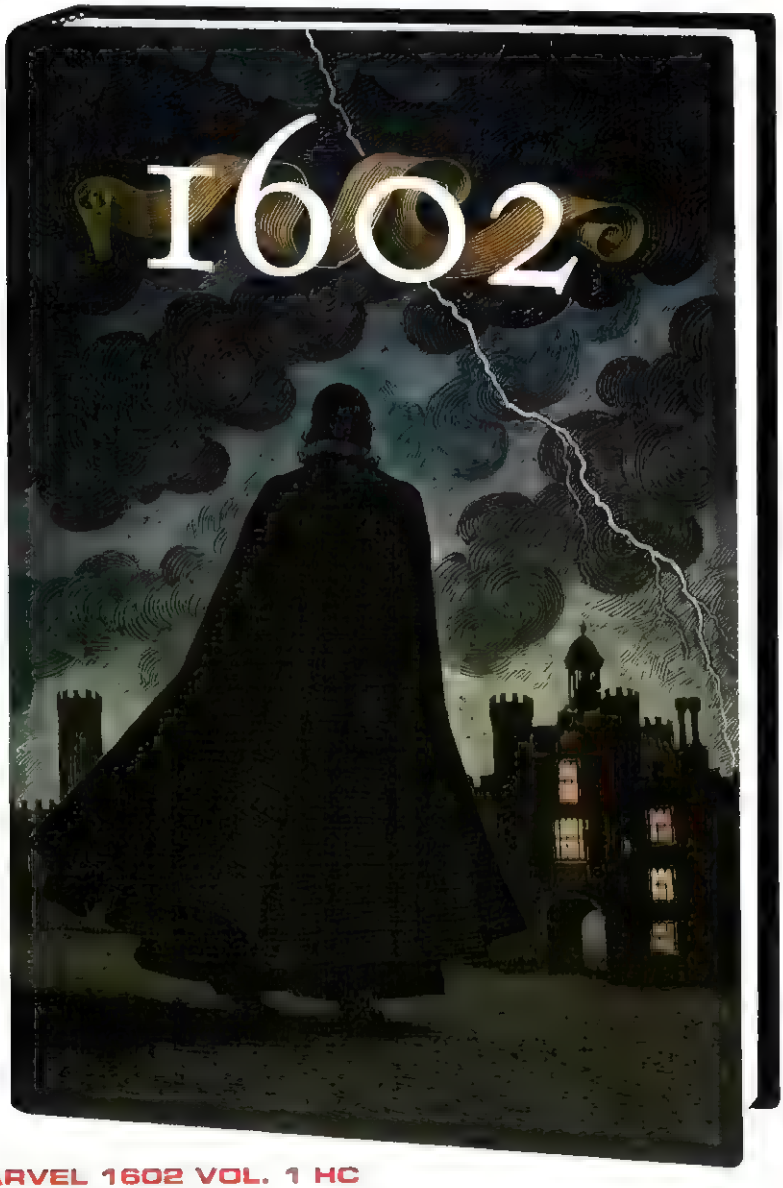


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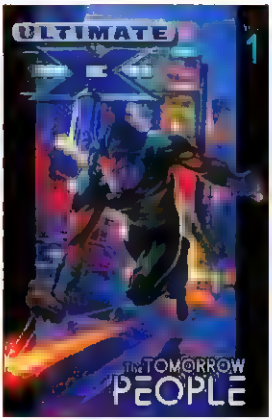


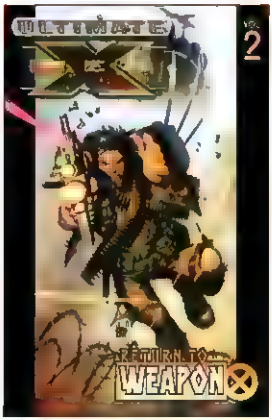

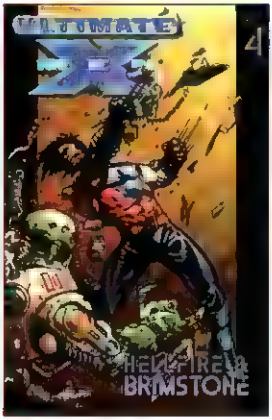


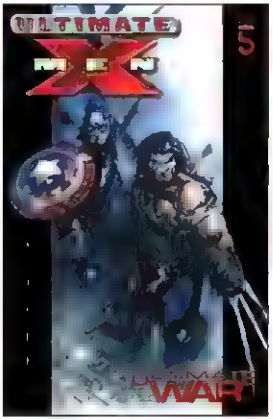

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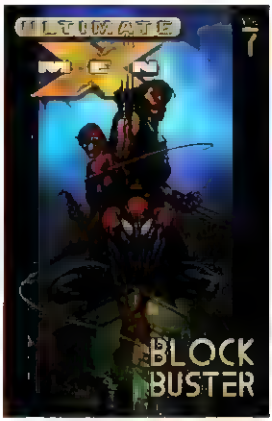

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For years, Professor Charles Xavier has championed the peaceful relationship between mutants and humans. But with growing racism and paranoia, the President of the United States decides that Xavier – with his mysterious psychic powers and shrouded background – might be the bigger problem. The President's solution: get the U.S. Government involved in the mutant-training business. With the help of Emma Frost, the President handpicks a class of "New Mutants" to serve his political agenda – including Dazzler, Karma, Havok and Polaris. But who is this mysterious Emma Frost and what is her connection to Xavier? Collects ULTIMATE X-MEN #40-45.

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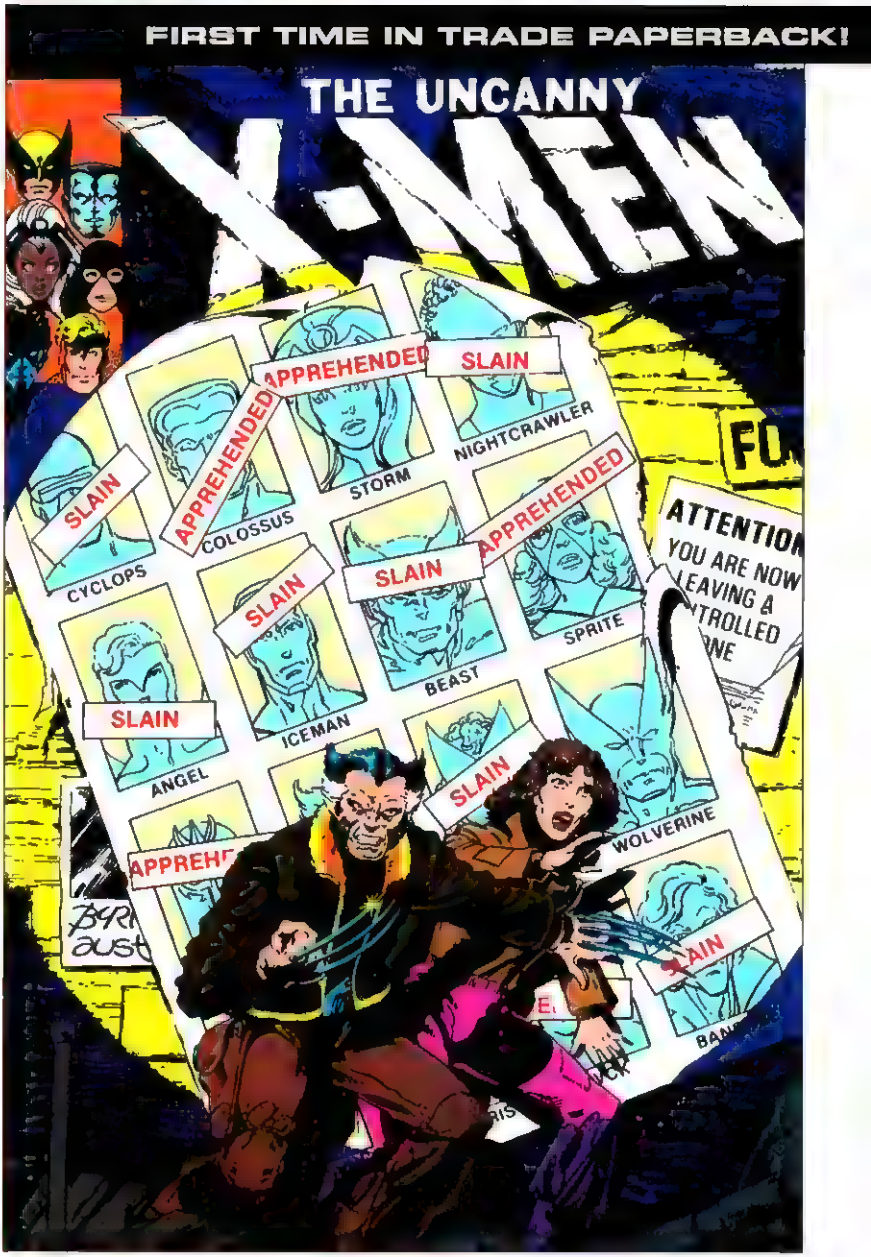


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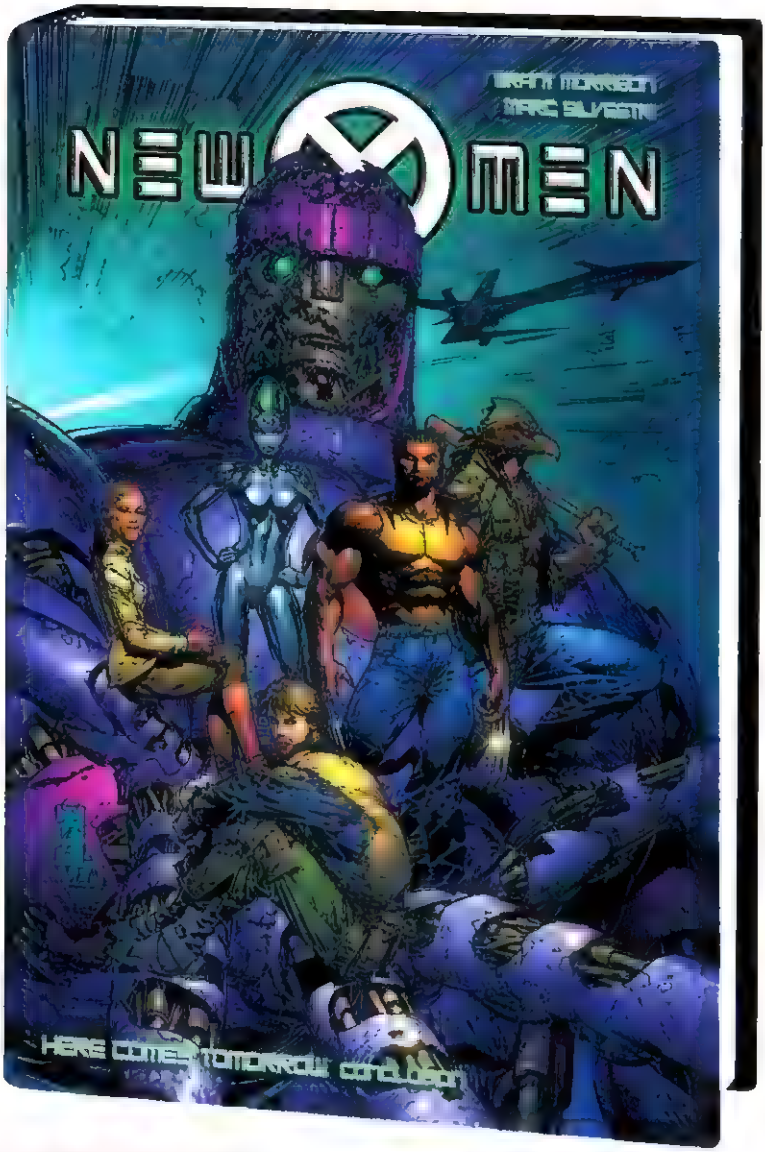


## NEW X-MEN VOL. 3 HC

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**Cover by PHIL JIMENEZ**

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Peter delves further into the mysterious totemic origin of his powers when the enigmatic Ezekiel returns! Is he truly Peter's mentor and ally, or something much more? Plus: In the aftermath of an interdimensional rift caused by Spider-Man and Doctor Strange's battle with Dormammu, a sorceress of limitless power is set free from years of captivity...and sets forth on a quest through Manhattan to properly thank the one responsible for it. the wall-crawler himself! Guest-starring Thor's ne'er-do-well stepbrother, Loki! Collects AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #503-508.

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He's struggled for years to control the coiled reptile that dwells deep within his heart. Now, at the end of his rope, one bad day will change Dr. Curt Connors' life forever – and the Lizard will stalk the streets once more! As Connors' self-destructive behavior escalates, Spider-Man must try to corral his out-of-control friend. But the Lizard may force the wall-crawler to kill, rather than cure! Plus: On a rooftop in the Bronx sits a sad handicapped man. A prisoner of his own crippled body, how will a battle between the wall-crawler and Morbius, the Living Vampire, change his life? Collects SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN #11-13, plus the fully painted SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN #14

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On the loose from an Arctic research facility and still being pursued by a mysterious alien agent, the deadly Venom is headed toward civilization. Ravenously hungry and craving adrenaline to satiate his appetite, Venom sets his sights on a tasty little snack hanging out in the northern regions of Canada: a short, hairy Canadian guy with a bad temper...the X-Men's Wolverine! Two of the deadliest and most relentless forces in the Marvel Universe face off in a grudge match neither is guaranteed to walk away from! Plus: Certain questions have arisen since Venom's mysterious appearance at the Radar Station in Northern Canada. How did he get there? Where's Eddie Brock? And, what turned this one-time "Lethal Protector" into a bloodthirsty homicidal maniac? The shocking truth behind Venom's resurgence is revealed! Collects VENOM #8-13.

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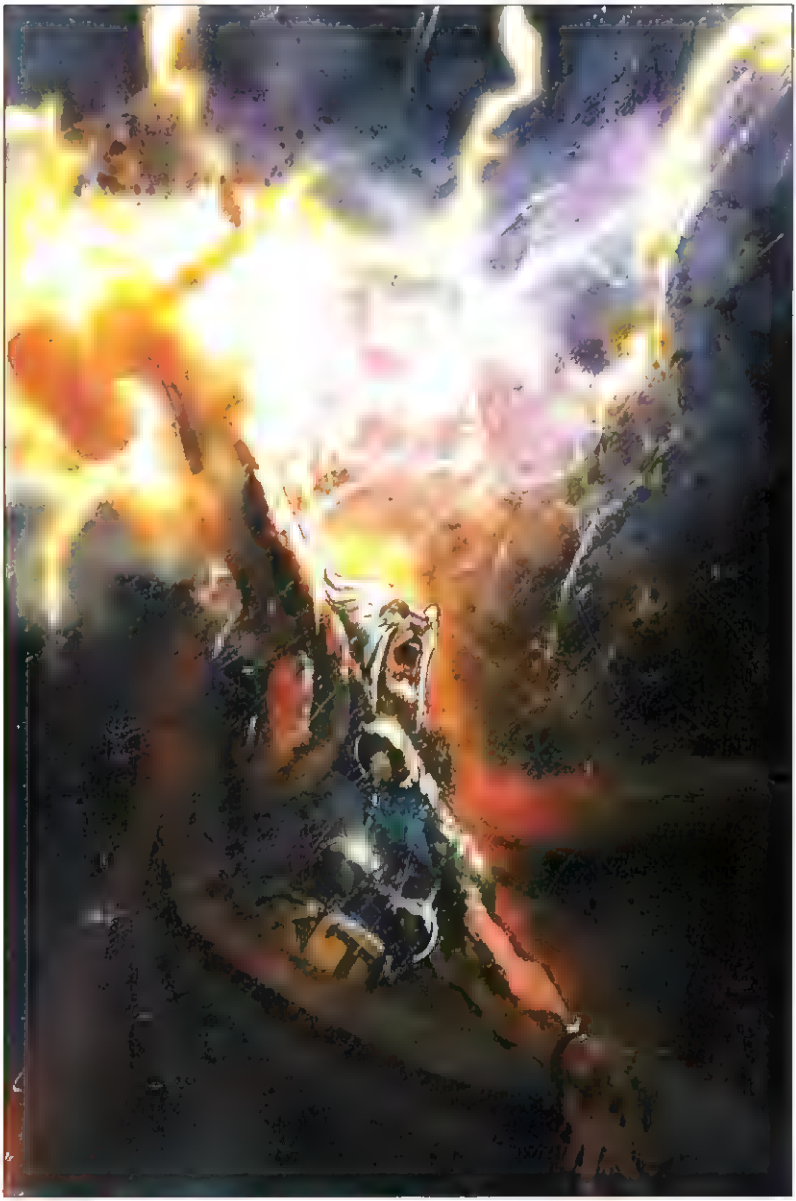

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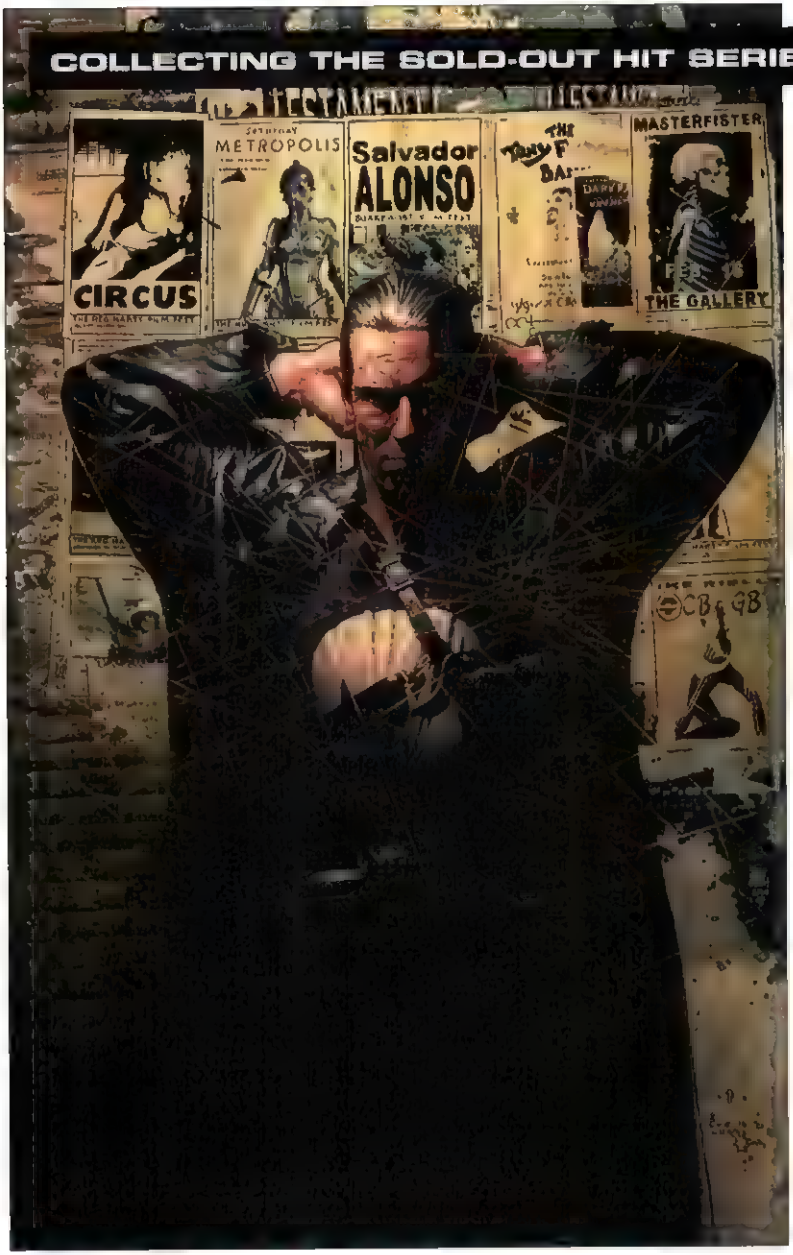


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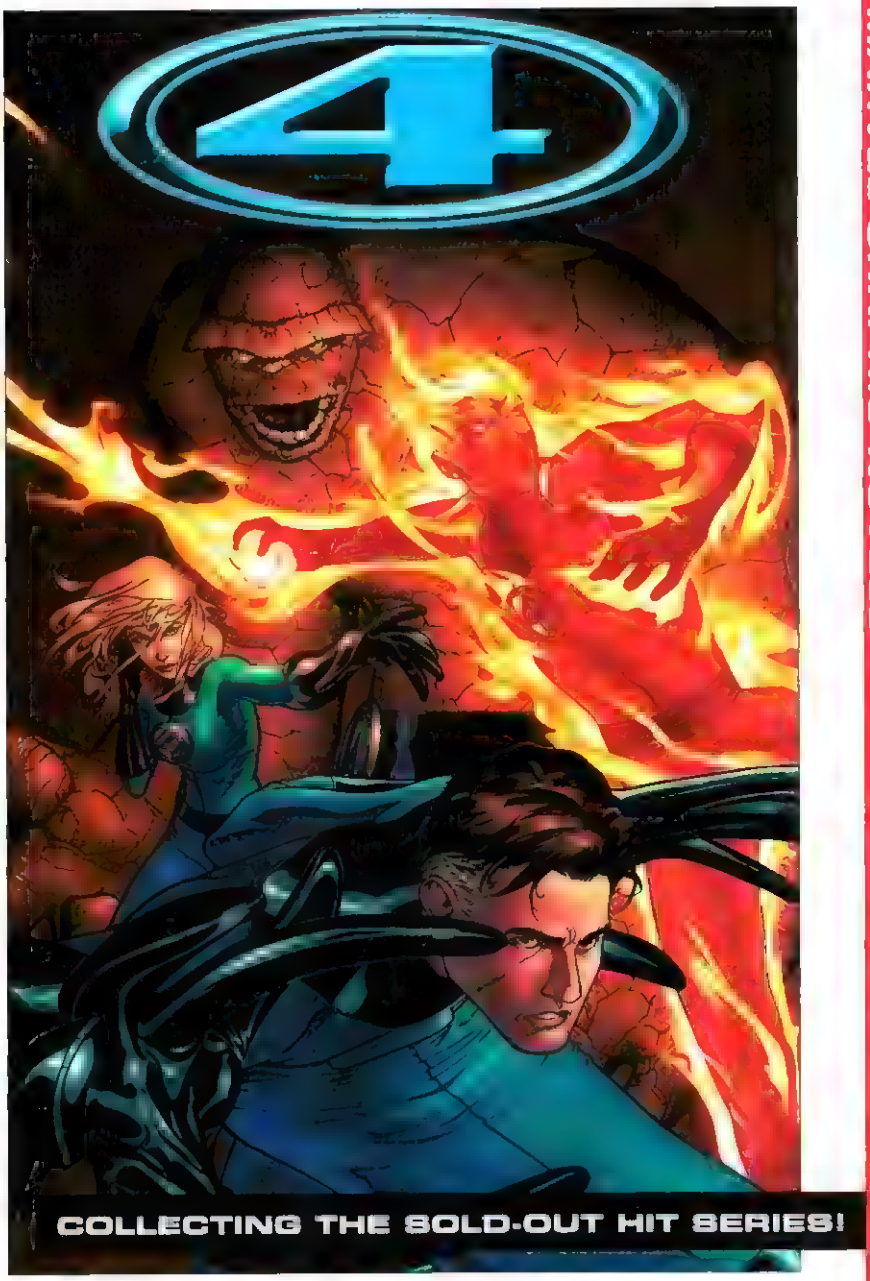


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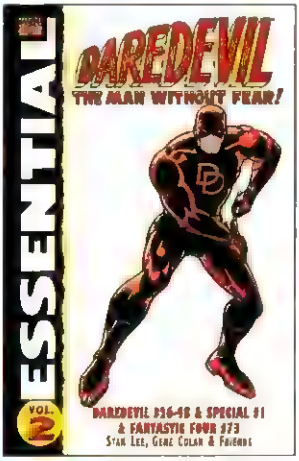


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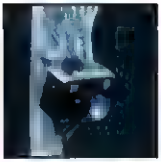

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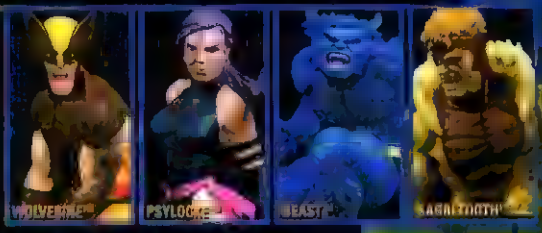


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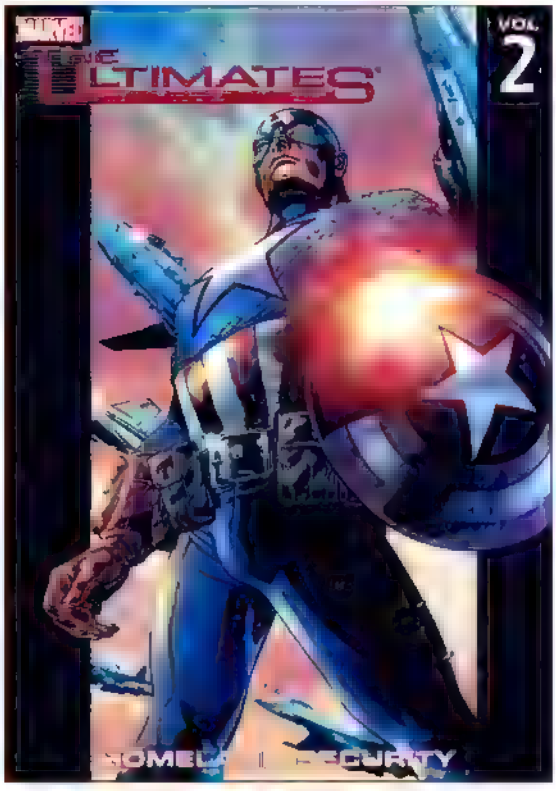


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Destiny's Diary (Libris Veritatus), extract 117 / G3:
The Stars shall be her home
And Earth her destination
Mothered by War
Her Father's her Salvation.
The price of Xavier's Dream
Shall be th s Ancient Aerie's Fall!
THERE ARE A LOT OF WAYS TO TELL THIS STORY.
THE BEST STARTS WITH A GIRL.
AND A PROPHECY. (IN STORIES LIKE THIS, THERE'S ALWAYS A PROPHECY.)
SHE DIDN'T MUCH CARE ABOUT THAT, REALLY.
HER NAME WAS ALIYAH BISHOP, AFTER HER PATERNAL GRANDMOTHER.
WHAT SHE CARED ABOUT, ALL SHE WANTED OUT OF LIFE, WAS TO FIND THE FATHER SHE'D NEVER SEEN.
SUCH A SIMPLE DREAM...
...TO HAVE SUCH FINAL CONSEQUENCES.

PRESENTS
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THE GATHERING STORM
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THE STORY ISN'T JUST ABOUT HER, THOUGH.
IT ALSO INVOLVES THE SHI'AR, WHICH HAD GROWN TO BECOME THE PRE-EMINENT IMPERIAL POWER IN LOCAL KNOWN SPACE (WHICH IN THIS CONTEXT COVERS A COUPLE OR THREE ENTIRE GALAXIES!)
MOSTLY, IT INVOLVES THE X-MEN.
THEY'RE HEROES, FROM THE PLANET EARTH.
THEY'RE ALSO MUTANTS, BORN WITH POWERS AND ABILITIES THAT SET THEM APART FROM THE BASELINE HUMAN GENOME.
AT HOME, THAT TENDED TO MAKE THEM OUTCASTS FROM GENERAL SOCIETY, AND OCCASIONALLY OUTLAWS.
THEY FIRST ENCOUNTERED THE SHI'AR FAIRLY EARLY IN THEIR CAREER, WHEN THEIR FOUNDER AND MENTOR, CHARLES XAVIER, AND THE SHI'AR PRINCESS, LILANDRA NERAMANI, FELL IN LOVE.

FROM THAT *INNOCENT* BEGINNING, THE FATES OF TWO WORLDS BECAME **INEXTRICABLY ENTWINED**.
TOGETHER, THE X-MEN AND LILANDRA SAVED THE *UNIVERSE*, AND THE PRINCESS ASSUMED THE IMPERIAL *THRONE*.
YEARS LATER, A SOMEWHAT *DIFFERENT* TEAM OF X-MEN CAME TO THE AID OF THE SHI'AR WHEN THE EMPIRE WAS ALMOST OVERTHROWN BY A CADRE OF INFILTRATORS FROM THE SHAPE-SHIFTING RACE CALLED THE **SKRULLS**.
THOSE WERE THE *BEST* OF TIMES, WHEN THE X-MEN AND THE SHI'AR WERE BOTH ALLIES, AND *FRIENDS*.

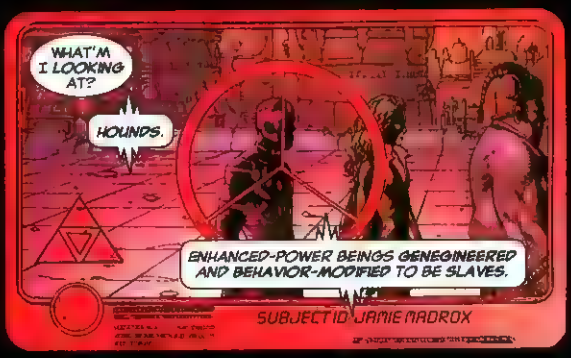
LILANDRA HAD AN OLDER SISTER, WHO BY BIRTH WAS THE RIGHTFUL HEIR. HER WARRIOR-NAME WAS DEATHBIRD.
DEPENDING ON CIRCUMSTANCE, SHE STOOD BESIDE THE X-MEN AS AN ALLY, OR FOUGHT AGAINST THEM AS THE DEADLIEST OF ADVERSARIES.
OVER THE YEARS SHE WAS CONTENT TO LET HER MORE RESPONSIBLE SISTER ASSUME THE BURDENS OF RULE.
SHE HAD FAR MORE FUN AS A RENEGADE.
WHAT SHE NEVER COUNTED ON WAS THAT SHE TOO MIGHT BE AMBUSHED BY LOVE.
HIS NAME WAS BISHOP, A LATECOMER TO THE X-MEN.
AS WITH HER SISTER AND XAVIER, FATE DREW HIM FROM HER SIDE, AND BACK TO HIS HOMEWORLD.
THE STORIES SHE TOLD OF HIM WERE GLORIOUS.
SHE SPOKE OFTEN OF SEEING HIM AGAIN, OF EVEN SPENDING THEIR LIVES TOGETHER.
BUT THAT WAS NOT TO BE.
LILANDRA HAD GONE INSANE, AND THE EMPIRE WAS FALLING HEADLONG INTO THE DARK TIMES.
DEATHBIRD, IRONICALLY, WAS ITS SOLE SALVATION.
ALARMALARM
MALARMALARM
K'YTHRI'S BANE--?!

ALARMALARMALARMALARMALARMALARM
TALK TO ME!
WHAT'S HAPPENING?!
ALARMALARMALA*
TURN OFF THAT NOISE, WILL YOU PLEASE?
I CAN'T HEAR MYSELF THINK!
SORRY, LEE.
JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE I GOT YOUR ATTENTION.
WE HAVE COMPANY.
ALL ELECTRONICS AND POWER SYSTEMS ARE IN TOTAL STEALTH MODE. UTILIZING PASSIVE SENSORS ONLY.
AS FAR AS THEY'RE CONCERNED, WE DON'T EXIST.
I THOUGHT WE WERE SAFE.
YOU'D BETTER BE RIGHT.
WHAT AM I LOOKING AT?
THAT'S A KREE COMMAND DREADNOUGHT.
ONE OF THOSE COULD TURN A PLANET INTO DUST.
YAIKES!
IT'S DEPLOYING AN ASSAULT BARGE.

LOOKS LIKE YOUR ANALYSIS WAS TOTALLY BINGO!
WE'RE IN THE RIGHT PLACE.
LET'S HOPE THAT TURNS OUT TO BE A GOOD THING, YES?
TACTICAL ANALYSIS?
KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN AND YOUR HEAD DOWN!
RUMBLE RUMBLE
KEEPING YOUR BALANCE IS ALSO ADVISED.
EASY FOR YOU TO SAY!
YOU'RE THE BIPED.
ALWAYS HELPS TO KEEP BOTH FEET ON THE GROUND.
ALIYAH?
ALIYAH, PLEASE RESPOND.
I'M CONCERNED ABOUT YOUR VITALS. ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
I'M JUST THINKING...
...MAYBE THIS WASN'T SUCH A GREAT IDEA AFTER ALL.

IT'S YOUR CALL, KIDDO.
WHY CAN'T YOU MAKE THE DECISION?
YOU'RE SMARTER THAN ME, YOU'VE GOT WAY MORE EXPERIENCE!
BECAUSE IT'S YOUR LIFE, ALIYAH.
THESE ARE YOUR PEOPLE.
I DON'T CARE ABOUT THEM, NOT REALLY
TOTALLY YOUR PRIVILEGE.
THING IS, I'LL ALWAYS BE THE STRANGER HERE.
I'LL ALWAYS HAVE...OTHER PRIORITIES.

THE KREE USED TO BE TOP DOGS IN THIS PART OF THE COSMOS.
FUELED BY A SENSE OF MANIFEST DESTINY THAT ACKNOWLEDGED NO LIMITS.
THE SHI'AR KICKED THEIR COLLECTIVE BUTTS.
MAJOR REALITY CHECK. NOT WELL RECEIVED.
WITH THE EMPIRE IN CHAOS, THEY LOOK TO REASSERT THEMSELVES.
THIS CLANDESTINE ACQUISITION, THEY FIGURED...
...WOULD GUARANTEE THEIR ULTIMATE TRIUMPH.
THE FOLKS THEY'RE DEALING WITH ARE SLAVERS...
...WHO PLY THEIR TRADE NOT SIMPLY BETWEEN PLANETS, BUT ACROSS ENTIRE DIMENSIONS.
THEIR CREED IS AS OLD AS LIFE ITSELF:
THEY'RE IN IT FOR THE MONEY.


WHAT'M I LOOKING AT?
HOUNDS.
ENHANCED-POWER BEINGS GENEGINEERED AND BEHAVIOR-MODIFIED TO BE SLAVES.
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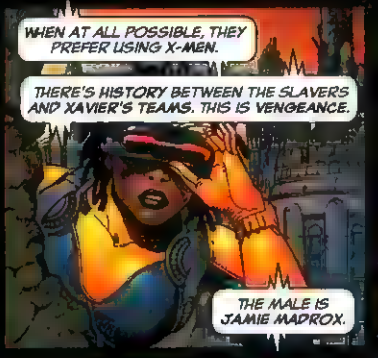
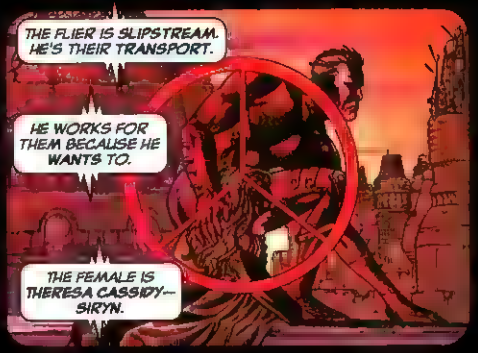
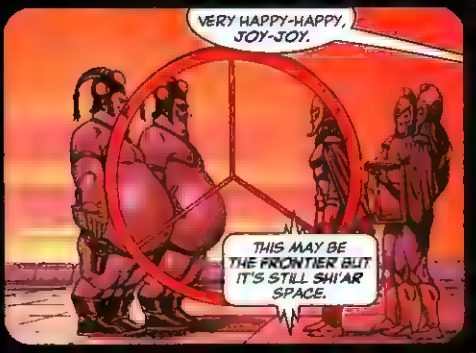
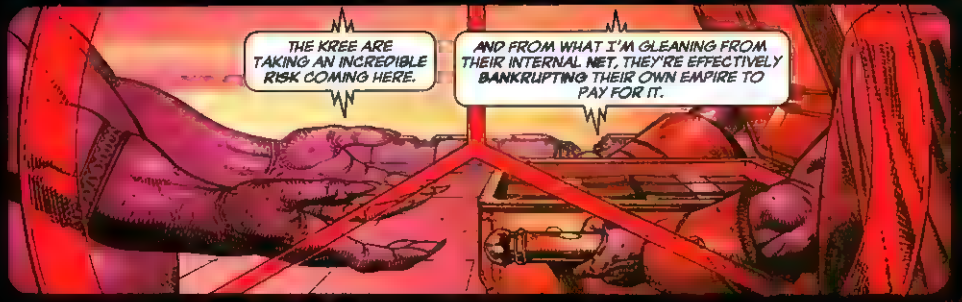
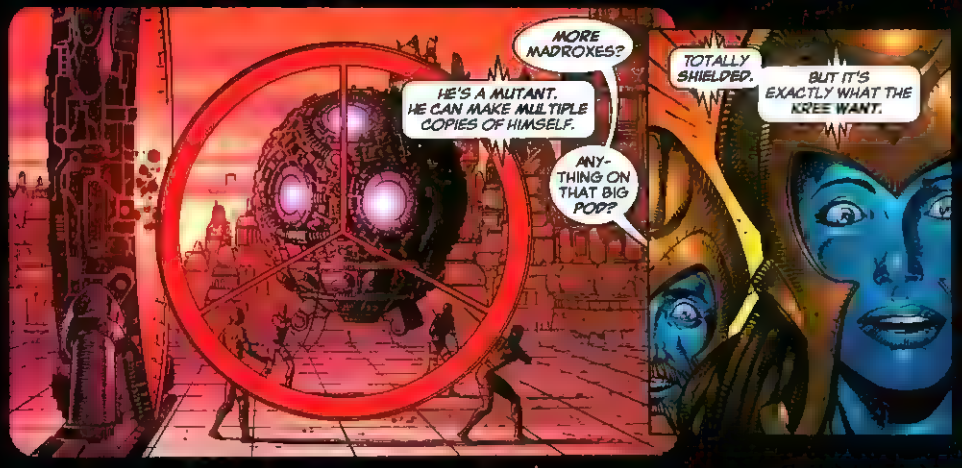

WHEN AT ALL POSSIBLE, THEY PREFER USING X-MEN.
THERE'S HISTORY BETWEEN THE SLAVERS AND XAVIER'S TEAMS. THIS IS VENGEANCE.
THE MALE IS JAMIE MADROX.


THE FLIER IS SLIPSTREAM. HE'S THEIR TRANSPORT.
HE WORKS FOR THEM BECAUSE HE WANTS TO.
THE FEMALE IS THERESA CASSIDY—SIRYN.


VERY HAPPY-HAPPY, JOY-JOY.
THIS MAY BE THE FRONTIER BUT IT'S STILL SHI'AR SPACE.


THE KREE ARE TAKING AN INCREDIBLE RISK COMING HERE.
AND FROM WHAT I'M GLEANING FROM THEIR INTERNAL NET, THEY'RE EFFECTIVELY BANKRUPTING THEIR OWN EMPIRE TO PAY FOR IT.


MORE MADROXES?
HE'S A MUTANT. HE CAN MAKE MULTIPLE COPIES OF HIMSELF.
ANY-THING ON THAT BIG POD?
TOTALLY SHIELDED.
BUT IT'S EXACTLY WHAT THE KREE WANT.

SOMETHING'S HAPPENING!
I'M MONITORING A BURST TRANSMISSION FROM THE GROUND, IN LINGUA-ARMA!
SOMETHING'S NOT KOSHER.
ALIYAH--WATCH YOUR BACK!
NOW YOU TELL ME?!?
YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO WATCH MY BACK!
TOTALLY MY BAD.
SHE'S TOTALLY, NATURALLY CLOAKED!
SHE'S DEFINITELY A HOUND...
...ANOTHER CULL FROM THE X-MEN.
TALIA JOSEPHINE WAGNER. CODE NAME: NOCTURNE.
SHE'S DANGEROUS, LEE.
NOW THAT SHE HAS YOUR SCENT...
...KEEP WELL CLEAR OF HER.

EEEEEEEE
DO MY BEST!
BUT WHAT ABOUT THE OTHERS—?!
EEEEEEEE
FIGURES, A NAME LIKE "SIRYN", SHE'LL HAVE SONIC POWERS.
BUT YOU DON'T EVER NAIL A SHI'AR IN THE AIR.
EVEN ONE BORN WITHOUT WINGS!
ZARK!
THE KREE ARE BOOKING!
THE EMPIRE'S ALREADY IN ENOUGH OF A MESS!
ZAMM!
ZAMMA
I WON'T LET THEM MAKE IT WORSE!
ZARK!
ZARK!
ZARK!
SKWANG!

OH SHARDS?!?
SLAMM!
CHUNT!
AE!OW!
WHAT'S THAT--!
THE DREADNOUGHT IN ORBIT--!

"IT'S UNDER ATTACK!"
ZAM
GOT MYSELF A MAJOR HOT FREEFIRE ZONE.
BE THINKING IT'S MAYBE TIME FOR SOME URGENT RELOCATION.
NOT WITH THE DREADNOUGHT OVERHEAD, WAY TOO RISKY.
NOT LIKE STAYING PUT IS MUCH SAFER.
THE SLAVER'S HAVE BOOKED.
THE KREE ARE FOLLOWING THEIR LEAD!
THEY'RE USING A TRACTOR BEAM!
ON ME AND THE COCOON BOTH!

YOU WERE RIGHT!
ONE OF THE KREE TROOPERS IS A RINGER!
IT'S A WARSKRULL!
THE SKRULLS WERE SHAPE-SHIFTERS, WHOSE HATRED FOR THE KREE WAS LEGENDARY.
"WARSKRULLS", AS THEIR NAME IMPLIED, WERE BRED FOR THAT SINGLE PURPOSE.
AND IN THAT PURPOSE, THEY HAD NO EQUAL.

ALIYAH HAD NO LOVE FOR THE WARSKRULLS.
ACCORDING TO LAST REPORTS, HER MOTHER HAD FALLEN IN BATTLE AGAINST THEM.
SHE DIDN'T BOTHER WITH HER WEAPON. THE SKRULL WAS WEARING ARMOR.
BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY FOR HER, THIS FIGHT WAS WHOLLY PRIMAL.
SHE'D GET AN EARFUL ABOUT THIS LATER, FROM HER COMPANION AND MENTOR.
(ASSUMING SHE SURVIVED.)
WHICH RIGHT NOW, SHE'D BE THE FIRST TO ADMIT, LOOKED PRETTY DOUBTFUL.
THAT WAS WHEN SHE MADE HER SECOND MISTAKE.
SHE DIDN'T THINK IT MATTERED, SHE THOUGHT SHE WAS ON THE EXPRESS-WAY TO REJOIN HER MOM.
ARRRGH!
NOT HARDLY.
SKRITCH!

WHAT--?! WHO--?!?
SHARDS-- THE COCOON!
SO MANY, MANY QUESTIONS.
BUT THE STRANGER'S IN NO SHAPE TO ANSWER.
AND AN INSTANT LATER, THERE ARE A LOT MORE IMPORTANT THINGS TO WORRY ABOUT.
FOOM!
FOOM!
FOOM!
FOOM!
FOOM!
FOOM!
FOOM!

WE GOTTA GO!
WE GOTTA GO!
WE GOTTA GO!
I'M SORRY.
NOT JUST YET.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?! GET OUTTA MY MIND!
WE DON'T HAVE TIME FOR THIS!
SHE HATED BEING SO AFRAID, BUT SHE ALSO COULDN'T HELP HERSELF.
THIS CHANGED EVERYTHING--- AND NOT FOR THE BETTER.
THE NEW ARRIVALS WERE WARRIORS OF THE BROOD.
CAN'T... EXPLAIN.
BUT WE CAN'T LEAVE...T.J. BEHIND.
ARE YOU CRAZY?!

THROUGHOUT KNOWN SPACE, THERE WAS NO SPECIES MORE FEARED.
AND WITH GOOD REASON.
YOU DIDN'T FIGHT THE BROOD, UNLESS YOU HAD ABSOLUTELY NO CHOICE...
...OR YOU HAD A DEATH WISH.
THE SANE RESPONSE WAS TO RUN.
AND PRAY.
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